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## MARGINAL COLUMN

By MIRIAM BAYAN

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KING Hussein is a case in point. Until March 3 last, when he was forced to flee from Jordan, he followed a policy combining strong-arm measures against extremists and pro-Nasser elements with public pronouncements of moderation. But now, after his flight, he has become a double-edged sword. He is a threat to the West, but he is also a threat to the East.

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INS Miznah moored off the jetty at Sharm e-Sheikh prior to taking on stores from the withdrawing Israeli garrison. Three landing craft were already loaded; the Queen of Sheba stood by.

## Eilat Must Become Great Port-B-G

By MIRIAM BAYAN

THERIAI, Saturday. — "Our great political struggle is not yet at an end. The prospects and expectations for which it was carried out have not yet been achieved, nor will they become hard facts very quickly." Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion said yesterday in a message to the 14th convention of the Engineers Association.

The message was read to the meeting by the Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. T. Kollek, last night. The engineers are meeting at the Cholim Institute in the Jordan Valley. Referring to shipping in the Gulf of Eilat and the Red Sea, the Prime Minister said that the struggle was not only for a theoretical and legal right, but for the great work which promised such abundant returns, of turning Eilat into a port of world-wide importance and the Tiran Straits into an international waterway, open to the merchantmen of all countries.

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## Finns Police Sharm e-Sheikh As Sinai Evacuation is Completed

By LEA BEN-DOR

SHARM E-SHEIKH, Friday. — It did not take Israel forces very long to occupy this technicolor desert outpost of Egyptian aggression last November, but it took even less time to hand it over today to a UNEF advance party consisting of a Canadian Liaison officer and the three officers of the 254-man Finnish Rifle Company that has taken over.

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## U.S. Reappraisal

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# Israel Seeks U.S. Support For Free Passage Through Canal

Nasser: Question Still Unsettled

By MIRIAM BAYAN

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuters). — Abdul Nasser said today that he has not yet decided on whether to allow Israel shipping through the Suez Canal when it reopens. He told Mr. Naran Jr., editor of the Indian weekly newspaper "Blitz" in an interview that British and French shipping will be able to use the waterway as long as all dues are paid to Egypt.

Answering questions, he said the Indian editor, "regarding the British and French using the Canal, I have informed the Secretary-General of the U.N. of our willingness to allow them normal passage. But they will have to pay tolls to us, all of them, as any other arrangement would amount to discrimination against other countries."

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## Eban Voices Anxiety on Issue

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WASHINGTON, Saturday (INA). — The Israel Ambassador, Mr. Abba Eban today sought U.S. support for free passage of Israel shipping through the Suez Canal. Mr. Eban discussed the matter with Acting Secretary of State Christian Herter. The Ambassador delivered a letter from Foreign Minister Golda Meir which expressed appreciation for U.S. consideration of Israel's problems in recent weeks, and also summarized Israel's current position and apprehensions.

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## Mob Rules in Gaza Strip As Fedayeen Lead in Reprisals

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JERUSALEM, Saturday. — Mob rule has taken over in Gaza since Friday, when the U.N. forces opened the prison, a former policeman who crossed the border today told the Jerusalem Post. Nobody cared for the curfew and shooting is heard all day and night. The fedayeen, who lead the mob, have already shot two policemen who had served under the Israeli regime, the refugee said. This morning three fedayeen came to the border, ordering him to follow them. He escaped, throwing hand grenades in his trail. However, they pursued him, shooting until he crossed the border. He has asked for political asylum, the policeman said.

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## UN Assembly Recedes After Hearing Israel Withdrawal

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UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuters). — Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld reported to the General Assembly yesterday that Israel troops had evacuated the Gaza Strip completely and that the withdrawal of Sharm e-Sheikh is virtually completed with only a small party of Israelis due to leave by Tuesday. The Secretary-General made an urgent appeal to member states to pay immediately outstanding pledges to UNRWA. He said that the financial problems of the agency were "very grave and urgent" because of the new responsibilities it has assumed in the Gaza Strip.

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